

TO JERSEY BY TUNNEL TO-DAY

GOV. HUGHES AND GOV. FORT WILL HELP CELEBRATE.

Public Invited to Travel Under the Hudson At and After Midnight for Five Cents—Train Every Three Minutes or Less in the Rush Hours—Lights Don't Go Out.

At midnight to-night the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company will begin running trains on a five minute headway and a five cent basis between Hoboken and the underground station at Sixth avenue and Nineteenth street, Manhattan. At 5 o'clock to-morrow morning the schedule will be shortened to a three minute headway, and still further reduced if the eager rush of Jerseyites under the river makes a further reduction expedient.

But in obedience to custom there will be an earlier formal opening of the greatest subterranean tunnel in the world. At half past 3 o'clock this afternoon an eight car train will leave the Nineteenth street station carrying a full passenger list of distinguished citizens to Hoboken, where formal and elaborate vocal exercises by Governors and Mayors will acclaim the formal opening of the road.

President Roosevelt will be present electrically. Some time before the starting hour the power house will cut off the electric current from the entire tunnel system. Then, when the invited guests are aboard the train at the Nineteenth street station and all is ready for the start, Mr. McAdoo will operate a key which will sound a signal at the President's desk in the White House. The electricians of the Western Union lines and of the tunnel system have hooked up a connection by means of which the electrical power current will be switched on for the railroad's use when the President, having received Mr. McAdoo's signal, himself operates a key.

In the meantime the guests waiting in the train will not be in darkness, for the tunnel cars are electrically lighted by storage batteries and do not depend for their light current on the power house. The installation of the storage battery system for car lighting is a concession to human nerves. Officials of the road explained yesterday that every precaution to prevent the interruption of the power current has been taken that engineers could devise, and that an interruption of more than a few minutes duration is practically impossible, yet they had to consider the possible. They foresaw that if the car lighting depended on the power current, and the latter should be interrupted while a train was under the middle of the Hudson river, there would be a manifestation of nervous force along the line of hysterics. Hence the storage batteries.

The President having done his duty at Washington, the train will start and run through to Hoboken without stopping. It will slow down at a point where bands of red, white and blue electric lights circling the interior of the tunnel will mark the under water State line. At this point every one is expected to murmur "Said the Governor of New York to the Governor of New Jersey 'It's a long time between—' but nothing of the sort. That part of the celebration will occur at a dinner at Sherry's in the evening. Hoboken may observe the day by drinking a little beer, but that will be unofficial.

Officially the proceedings in Hoboken will take place on a platform near the mouth of the terminal. Mr. McAdoo will read a letter from President Roosevelt and speeches will be made by Gov. Hughes of New York, Gov. Fort of New Jersey, President Morgan of the New York Board of Aldermen, Mayor Steel of Hoboken and Mayor Wittippen of Jersey City.

A Jersey City of Hoboken has declared to-day a legal holiday within his jurisdiction and Hoboken business houses, steamship landings and residences will be decorated to manifest the joy of the people at being practically joined to Manhattan. German flags will float to the breeze and it is thought that the supply of beer will not run short.

When the suggestion was first made that it would be a good idea for Jersey City equally to celebrate the opening of the Hudson River tunnels to-day the Board of Aldermen in a burst of enthusiasm appointed a committee of ten to make a scheme for the proper observance of the big event.

The Aldermen figured that they could do a lot with \$700. As a result of a lot of begging and much talk about civic pride \$300 was pledged to defray the expense. The Board of Finance was asked to appropriate \$500 as Jersey City's share, but the Commissioners said they believed the proper time for the city to take part officially in a celebration would be several months, later when the Cortlandt street tunnel is opened. The Fifteenth street tunnel, they argued, although essentially a Jersey City tunnel, was more of a Hoboken institution as the terminal was under that city. No appropriation was made.

When the invitations were issued for the big tunnel banquet at Sherry's to-night the Jersey City Aldermen by comparing notes found that their names, with the exception of Eugene F. Kinkadee, president of the board, did not appear on the list. They made no secret of the fact that they were aggrieved. They felt further slighted because only the committee of ten were asked to take a free trip through the bores on one of the official trains. The Aldermanic enthusiasm then became frayed at the ends and finally petered out.

Chairman Kiernan of the committee sent out notices yesterday announcing that the plans for a celebration by the city would be abandoned. He took his cue from the Board of Finance and explained that the proper time to celebrate would be when the Cortlandt street bore is formally opened for traffic. Kiernan added that all checks and money contributions would be returned.

A Jersey City newspaper man hustled around last night among the donors and received pledges for nearly \$200 with which to have a pyrotechnic display in front of the City Hall in honor of Jersey City's "Great Tunnel Opening Day." A fireworks manufacturer promised to provide a \$500 show and if the Aldermen are found to-night they can enjoy the fun with the multitude.

WITH POLICE ALL ROUND

\$10,000 Worth of Silver Taken From Houses of Park Avenue.

Burglars had a busy time on the upper East Side during the early hours of Sunday morning, entering six houses and taking away, roughly, \$10,000 worth of silverware and jewelry. Appearances indicate that the same pair of men did all the work. The last house robbed was visited while the streets in the neighborhood were cluttered with reserves from the East Sixty-seventh street police station, who had been sent out in plain clothes after the discovery of what was going on.

The first house entered was the brown-stone residence of Albert Rathbone, at 130 East Sixty-fifth street. Mr. Rathbone is a member of the law firm of Joline, Larkin & Rathbone. The intruders took their pick of the silver in the dining room, then went upstairs to the bedrooms, where the family was asleep and stripped these rooms of all jewels. Their haul from this house is placed at about \$5,000.

Without disturbing the sleepers the burglars went out by the route they had used in entering and crossed the backyard to 182 East Sixty-fourth street, the residence of Anson B. Moran, a stock broker at 25 Broad street. Here they made a clean sweep of all the silver in the dining room, much of which was heirlooms.

Packing up \$1,000 worth of loot the men next tackled 131 East Sixty-fourth street, but just as they had got inside some wakened person heard them and shouted "Burglars!" By this time Headquarters had been notified by telephone and Capt. Cooney of the East Sixty-seventh street police station went around with his reserves. The policemen surrounded the block, carefully patrolling Sixty-third and Sixty-fourth streets and Lexington and Park avenues. It was then about 4 o'clock in the morning.

Discouraged with their three failures, and apparently disgusted with the excitement they had caused, the burglars quit the block and crossing over to Sixty-second street went in through the basement of Mrs. Philip Sands's home at 135. In this house they collected \$1,000 worth of silver and took it away.

GOV. HUGHES HERE AT WORK

Drops In on Theta Delta Chi for a Moment—Liked His Reception in Chicago.

Gov. Hughes got here yesterday afternoon from Chicago and went to the Hotel Astor for the night in order to be on hand for the opening of the Hudson tunnel to-day. He was accompanied by Col. Treadwell, his military secretary, and a stenographer, who joined the party at Albany, where the Governor made a short stop to get a batch of papers waiting for him.

At the Astor the Governor went at once to his rooms and got down to business. Aside from one interruption he did not leave his room. The interruption came when the Theta Delta Chi fraternity boys learned that he was in the hotel. The fraternity is holding its sixtieth annual convention, with headquarters at the hotel. About 200 delegates are in session. Edward S. Griffing, president of the association, asked the Governor if he would not consent to say a few words to the boys, who were on the eighth floor. Gov. Hughes accepted at once and followed Mr. Griffing to the meeting room.

More than a score of colleges were represented in the room and each insisted on giving its cheer for the Governor and every one tried to nominate him for President at once.

Quiet was finally restored when the Governor pleaded for a chance to be heard. "I'm glad to see you, gentlemen," he said, "and say a word to you."

The Governor then paid a tribute to his former legal adviser and friend Ernest W. Huffcutt, who was president of the Theta Delta Chi Association.

After his tribute to Mr. Huffcutt the Governor went back to his room and to work. He said that he had been much pleased with his reception in Chicago.

This evening Gov. Hughes, Gov. Folk, ex-Governor Morton and others will discuss "The City and the State," at the City Club.

CASSIE CHADWICK'S JEWELS

Supreme Court Holds That Their Seizure for Non-Payment of Duty Was Illegal.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The judgment of the lower court that Collector of Customs Leach at Cleveland, Ohio, was a bit overzealous in his attempt to seize several thousand dollars' worth of rings and brooches that had been pledged in New York by the late Mrs. Cassie Chadwick was in effect affirmed by the Supreme Court to-day. The jewelry was deposited with J. W. Friend of New York to secure some loans made by Mrs. Chadwick, and on information furnished by him that they might have been smuggled the Treasury Department investigated the matter with the understanding that Friend's rights in them should not be disturbed.

Collector Leach, within whose jurisdiction Mrs. Chadwick was then under arrest for "high finance" transactions, went to New York and after giving a written receipt for the return of the jewelry was permitted to take them to an expert for examination. He then took them off to Cleveland and seized them for non-payment of duty. The Federal Court at Cleveland held that the seizure was illegal and ordered the gems returned to the pledgee and this judgment was affirmed by the Court of Appeals. The Government, however, took a second appeal direct from the trial court to the Supreme Court, which to-day dismissed the appeal on the ground that two appeals could not be taken, and besides the court had no jurisdiction in the matter.

Thief Couldn't Stand Women's Chat.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 24.—A thief to-night entered the home of a prominent physician where a dinner was in progress and hid under a desk to await an opportunity to appropriate something and escape. He was unable to get out until the dinner was over, when two women guests seated themselves near the desk and began a strictly confidential chat about some others who were present. After the talk had gone on an hour the thief bolted and escaped, declaring as he went that he could "stand any more of the talk."

Stanley Gypieses Convicted.

The jury in the General Sessions that has been trying the gypsies Maloney, Mitchell, Dick and Bud Grayson for stealing the treasure of the Pearson tribe on their last night of burglary in the second degree.

POSED IN A PYTHON'S COILS

MRS. EUSTIS'S "SALAMMO" A THRILLER AT CHARITY SHOW.

A Real Live Snake, but It Was "Fixed" Somehow So It Couldn't Hurt—Society Women in Tableau at Mrs. Waldorf Astor's Entertainment at the Plaza.

The bright particular star in the all star cast of Mrs. Waldorf Astor's entertainment given yesterday afternoon and evening in the ballroom of the Plaza Hotel for the benefit of the poor maintainers of Virginia was a 15 foot spotted python which coiled itself comfortably about the neck and shoulders of Mrs. James B. Eustis as she posed as *Salammo*.

The old gold velvet curtains which temporarily veiled the "living pictures" from the eager eyes of Society (for all society was there) parted to disclose *Salammo* in a robe of sapphire blue shimmering with silver and gold and glistening with gems. The cold blue moonlight which flooded the scene didn't lend any sparkle to the sleepy eyes of the snake, and at first the audience thought it was imitation, or at most stuffed.

Immediately after the applause which paid tribute to the artistic triumph of the picture, however, the reptile moved slightly with a sinuousness which could not be accounted for by the theory of hidden wire springs. *Salammo* shuddered almost imperceptibly.

For a second society sat in silence and inhaled the sweet perfume of countless gardenias. Then the golden velvet curtains dropped, there was a long deep sigh and again the applause burst forth. *Salammo* and the Snake accepted the encore with apparent nonchalance. Mrs. Eustis said afterward that she really wasn't a bit afraid, only that of course it was a wee bit disconcerting to have the thing move even a little just at the critical moment.

One of the persons concerned in the management of the show said that Mrs. Eustis was in no danger, as the python was "fixed" so that it couldn't hug real hard. He didn't explain how it was "fixed."

Another star who moved in a picture, although not, it was suspected, unwittingly, was Miss Langhorne, the debutante sister of Mrs. Waldorf Astor, who in baby blue embroidered gauze draped over a white satin petticoat, high heeled slippers and elaborate powdered coiffure represented the period of Louis XVI. all by herself.

Whether or not Miss Langhorne was stimulated to action by the audible murmur of "charming" which greeted her appearance or whether she was prompted simply by an exuberance of spirits was not revealed, but as a matter of fact just before the jealous golden draperies swallowed up the vision of her the tippet of her right slipper was suddenly elevated at least twelve inches from the ground, with a resultant frou of chiffon, satin and lace and a spirited renewal of applause.

Mrs. John Jacob Astor's portrayal of Romney's conception of Lady Hamilton as *Thais* was voted by many who were present the most beautiful picture in the collection. Mrs. Astor stood on a stairway, holding aloft the sceptre of Alexander the Great. She wore a clinging robe of white gauze with overdraperies of pale blue. These were plentifully besprinkled with brilliants.

Another popular picture was that of Mrs. Benjamin Guinness as *Semiramis*. She reclined on a leopard robe against a background of red velvet. Over her robe of golden gauze she wore a gem embroidered cloak of pink velvet, and on her masses of Titian hair rested a crown of diamonds.

Other pictures were Miss Elsie Howland as *Le Brun's "Girl With the Muff,"* Mrs. Edward B. Thomas as *Mary Gow's "Phyllis,"* Miss Bryce as *Burne-Jones's* conception of "Hope," Mrs. Frederick O. Beach as *Romney's "Nature,"* Mrs. John Jacob Astor, Mrs. Edward B. Thomas and Mrs. Henry Rogers Winthrop as the Three Graces.

BANK STOCK SOLD OUT

Presumably for the Account of One of the Helmsze Party.

There was sold at auction yesterday 700 shares of bank stock, presumably for the account of F. A. Helms, or one of his party. The stock brought \$54,400. The sale attracted some attention, as it was evidently made in a hurry, the regular day for the sale of such securities being Wednesday. The McVicker-Galliard Realty Company, at whose auction rooms on Vesey street the sale was made, does not usually deal in this class of assets.

The shares were 300 of the Mercantile National Bank, 300 of the Utah National Bank of Salt Lake City and 100 of the Italian-American Trust Company of New York. In all of these Helms is known to have been interested, having been president of the Mercantile until his elimination and a director of the Utah. That the stock belonged to him was neither denied nor affirmed. The current comment was that the stock represented the collateral for a loan falling due which was not met.

The Mercantile stock brought \$114 a share, the Utah National \$63 and the Italian-American \$73. A high ago some Mercantile stock sold as high as \$122.50.

A LIEN ON TOMBSTONES.

Bill to Protect the Carver Introduced in New Jersey Senate.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Feb. 24.—The New Jersey Legislature is reported to be in favor of a bill introduced by Senator Wilson of Atlantic county providing that the man who owns a tombstone on a cemetery has a lien on said piece of statutory. Under this bill unless the marble cutter's claim is paid he may enter the cemetery and remove a stone and make it over for his own uses.

Senator Wilson explains that the bill was introduced by request of marble cutting tradesmen of the State who say they are not protected by lien laws as are other mechanics and want to be placed on an equal footing.

J. J. HILL BUSY IN CANADA.

Big Railroad Enterprise in the Northwest Said to Be in Contemplation.

WINNIPEG, Feb. 24.—James J. Hill has spread hundreds of engineers along a stretch of country 1,400 miles long from Brandon, Manitoba, to Calgary, Alberta. He is said to be preparing to parallel the C. W. Crane & Co., agents of the Skinner in this city, said that nothing had been heard of the crew, but that it was likely that all or some of them had been rescued, as he was in the track of West Indian ships.

She doubtless had very hard weather, as the loss of her main and mizzen masts indicated.

She sailed from Georgetown, S. C., on February 14 for this port with a cargo of about 1,000 tons of lumber. She was skipper and part owner, and she had a crew of seven men, including the mate. She was built in Baltimore, and her principal owner was C. C. Paul. She was one of the swiftest coastwise clippers in the lumber trade.

Genius Deerfoot Farm Sausages

are never sold in bulk, but are always wrapped in parchment paper, with the name printed in red ink on the wrapper.

LEADS PEARLS COST \$340,000

BROUGHT IN AT AN INVOICE VALUE OF \$230,000.

Difference Would More Than Pay the Difference of Duty on Leads Pearls and Strong Pearls—It Was a Necklace, Asserts Government—Jeweler Says No.

That Mrs. William B. Leeds paid for the celebrated Citron pearls about 60 per cent. more than the invoice value at the time of importation was the testimony introduced yesterday at the trial of the case involving the question of duties. The Government's attorney said that this testimony coming from Mrs. Leeds herself gave an entirely new turn to the case.

The trial was before Judge Lacombe in the United States Circuit Court. In the action Bernard Citroen, the French Jeweller who sold the pearls to Mrs. Leeds, seeks to recover from the Government \$110,000, the greater part of the duties which he was compelled to pay. He was represented by W. Wickham Smith, while J. Osgood Nichols appeared for the Government.

Mrs. Leeds was not present in court, but her testimony had been taken a few days before at her home, 987 Fifth avenue, by H. M. Somerville as referee, and it was read to the court.

Mrs. Leeds said that she made the bargain for the pearls in Citroen's store in Paris and agreed to pay \$340,000. As part of the purchase price she turned over to Citroen a pearl necklace which she had bought from Tiffany & Co. some time before and for which \$52,000 was allowed, the remainder being paid in cash. The payment was not made until after Mr. Citroen had brought the pearls to this country and had delivered them to her at her Newport home.

The invoice value of the pearls was \$220,000. When Citroen declared the pearls at the New York Custom House he paid duty at the rate of 10 per cent. ad valorem on the invoice valuation. Afterward the customs authorities ordered a re-liquidation on the ground that the pearls, although brought in loose, really constituted a necklace dutiable at 50 per cent., while loose pearls are dutiable at 10 per cent. Citroen then had to pay an additional 50 per cent. in duties and he began the present proceeding to recover the amount, which was paid under protest.

GATES DEPARTS FOR TEXAS.

Hanging On to His Stocks and Waiting Till the Clouds Roll By.

John W. Gates has left for Texas, of which State he recently became a resident. He is reported to have several million dollars invested there. Before going he spoke as follows of business conditions:

"That there has been an improvement in steel and iron conditions is shown by the increase in production reported. I hope that business will continue on the mend. I own securities of many corporations and do not propose to sell them at present prices. There are many securities traded in on the Stock Exchange that are selling too low and are a purchase. But when they will get the advance to which they are entitled I do not know. Whether it will be to-morrow, next week or next month is a problem I do not care to attempt to solve. "We are going through a process of readjustment and we will get back to normal conditions in time. This reminds me that the recent panic was the first panic in which I was a lender of money. At that time my wealth was made up of cash and good securities. I am not interested in the stock market from a speculative standpoint. The tape has few attractions for me. I consider Republic Iron and Steel one of the soundest and best managed companies with which I am identified. The earnings of the company is reflected in the showing for the first four months of the current fiscal year. Profits applicable to dividends were sufficient by more than \$200,000 to pay the full 7 per cent. on the preferred stock for the entire year."

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BOY TO JAIL FOR 28 YEARS.

Nineteen Years Old and Must Serve Out Two Long Sentences.

Nicholas Fenimore, 19 years old, must spend not less than twenty-eight years in prison, according to a sentence pronounced yesterday by Judge Fawcett in the County Court, Brooklyn. Fenimore pleaded guilty to the robbery and assault on August Meyer last summer. For this crime he was sent to Sing Sing for not less than ten years. When he completes his term in Sing Sing he will have to go to Elmira for eighteen years and five months.

Some time ago he was sent to Elmira on a twenty year term and after serving one year and seven months was released from the remainder of his term depending on his good behavior. Allowing for reduction of his imprisonment for good behavior Fenimore will be 44 years old when he regains his liberty unless he is pardoned in the meanwhile.

MAY END TOBACCO WAR.

Kentucky Burley Producers and Tobacco Trust Said to Have Agreed on Price.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 24.—If advice which have come to a high authority here are correct the trouble between the tobacco growers and the American Tobacco Company is over, as far as this part of the State is concerned and for this year at any rate.

Word came from Winchester to-day that an agreement had practically been reached between the board of control of the Burley Society and the buyers of the American Tobacco Company by which the whole amount of tobacco on hand, comprising about the 1907 crop and the 1907 crop will be taken over by the company at a figure satisfactory to the growers. Just what the figure is has not been made known here, but it is said that it is high enough to please every one who has been holding his tobacco so long in the pool.

McGill Makes Mr. Bryce L. D.

Montreal, Feb. 24.—Ambassador Bryce arrived here from Ottawa to-day accompanied by the Governor-General, Earl Grey. This afternoon he attended a special concert given at the 129th street and the 130th street by the McGill University when the honorary degree of doctor of laws was conferred upon him in the presence of a distinguished gathering, including the Governor-General. Mr. Bryce will remain in Montreal several days as the guest of Sir Thomas Shaughnessy, president of the Canadian Pacific.

AUTO RACES, OHMONT, N. J.

Ohm-2-7. The Seaboard Florida Limited—daily—all Pullman—travels shortest route. Through Pullman—Canada—Seaboard. The A. C. A. uses this train on 25th. Office 115 Broadway.

GATES TRAIN WRECKED.

Thrown Into a Ditch in Texas but No One Is Killed.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 24.—The special train bearing the Gates excursion touring party was derailed to-night at Orville, twelve miles north of Laredo. Every car in the train left the track and was thrown into the ditch. The train consisted of nine cars, five of which were Pullmans.

Most of the passengers were from Toledo. There were about seventy on board. Late advices say that the wreck was due to a broken axle on the engine. None of the passengers was killed. Four were seriously injured.

PANAMA CANAL READY IN 1915.

Lieut.-Col. Goethals Makes a Prediction of the Date of Opening.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Lieut.-Col. George W. Goethals, chairman and chief engineer of the Panama Canal Commission, left Washington to-day for New York, where he will sail to-morrow for the Isthmus on the steamer Panama. Joseph C. S. Blackburn, former Senator from Kentucky and now a member of the Canal Commission, will also sail for the Isthmus to-morrow. Before leaving Washington Col. Goethals called at the White House to pay his respects to the President.

Col. Goethals said: "The Panama Canal will be completed and open for business on January 1, 1915."

EDISON IN NO DANGER.

But Will Probably Be Kept in Hospital a Week or Ten Days.

Thomas A. Edison is comfortable at the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital after the operation to open an abscess in the middle ear performed on Sunday by Dr. Arthur B. Duell. Dr. Duell said yesterday that while the ear affected was the same one upon which he operated for mastoiditis three years ago there were no symptoms of a return of that disease. The operation on the abscess had been entirely successful and no complications had followed.

"Mr. Edison is in no danger," said Dr. Duell, "but he will probably be confined to the hospital for a week or ten days."

GERRY-HARRIMAN LICENSE.

Young Couple Don't Have to Stand in Line to Get It.

Robert Livingston Gerry, son of Elbridge T. Gerry, and Miss Cornelia Harriman, daughter of Edward H. Harriman, were married yesterday at the City Hall under the supervision of City Clerk Scully's private office. The blanks had already been filled in and all that was necessary for the couple to do was to take the formal oath that the entries were correct and they were out of the City Hall again in less than five minutes.

Miss Harriman's application form stated that she was 23 years old and that she was born in Far Rockaway, L. I.

Mr. Gerry said that his residence was Newport, that he was born in this city and that he was 30 years old. The wedding is to be next week Monday.

P. R. R. MUST PAY \$298,000.

Taxes Argument in New Jersey Supreme Court Decided Against Road.

TRENTON, Feb. 24.—Justice Swartz filed an opinion in the Supreme Court here to-day under which the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will be compelled to pay taxes for the year 1907 aggregating \$298,000. Miss Harriman's application form stated that she was 23 years old and that she was born in Far Rockaway, L. I.

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MORE MONEY FOR BRITISH NAVY.

Increase in Estimates More Than Offsets Cut in Army Expenses.

SPECIAL CABLE DISPATCH TO THE SUN.
LONDON, Feb. 24.—The naval estimates for 1908-09 are placed at \$181,597,500, an increase of \$4,500,000, chiefly for stores and naval works and to meet the heightened cost of coal.

Only \$3,850,000 is allotted for the building programme. The following ships are to be begun: One battleship, one armored cruiser, six unarmored cruisers, sixteen torpedo boat destroyers and some submarines.

The army estimates are \$137,295,000, a decrease of \$1,505,000.

PAYNE WHITNEY IN PANEL.

Called in Case of Wife Murderer, but He Wasn't Present. Not Having Been Served.

MINNEOLA, L. I., Feb. 24.—The name of Payne Whitney was called to-day when the effort to get a jury for the trial of Martin Smith for murder was resumed in the Supreme Court. There was no response. Judge Garrettson was told that Mr. Whitney had not been served with a subpoena at his country home as he was away when the subpoena was served. Mr. Whitney was accused, but several others who had been subpoenaed for jury duty and who failed to appear were fined \$25 each.

Smith, a mechanic, whose home is in Mineola, is accused of having killed his wife while he was intoxicated on September 3 last. The work of selecting a jury was begun last Thursday morning. The first panel of seventy-five men was exhausted, and a second panel was summoned. Each side has exhausted all but five of its thirty peremptory challenges.

The jury box has been filled twice, but has been half emptied again by peremptory challenges.

DOG SAVES MASTER'S LIFE.

Perisils for Three Days Till Searchers Follow Him Two Miles to Dry Well.

LOUISVILLE, Neb., Feb. 24.—Imprisoned in a dry well for two nights and almost three days without food or drink Bryon McNealy was saved from death to-day when his dog led a party of searchers to the abandoned well. McNealy was taken out half dead. He had two broken ribs, a deep gash in his right leg and numerous bruises about the head and body.

The young man's rescue was due directly to his faithful dog. After he fell into the well the dog went home, where after barking and whining he set off again for the well, two miles away. The dog would return home every few hours, try to make the members of the family follow him and failing to do so would return to the well. He continued this until a party of searchers followed him to the well.

"BURGLAR QUEEN" A BOY.

"Celia" Peterson Had Passed for a Girl Since Birth.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Interest in Celia Peterson, so-called "queen of the burglars" and self-confessed perpetrator of scores of daring robberies, was revived to-day. Raised as a girl, associating with girls in the public schools and regarded as a girl by "her" relatives and associates, the prisoner is now declared to be a boy. The police called in Dr. L. Blake Baldwin and Dr. C. N. Waugh for consultation, and the official report of the medical men corroborated their suspicions.

"When I get out of here," Celia said, "I propose to be a real boy. I have always wanted to be one and did not know what to do. The first thing I will do when I get out will be to buy a suit of clothes. I like that brown color best. Then a hat, a real man's derby, none of your 'Johnny Jones' for mine."

CALL ON BANKS FOR \$35,000,000

SECRETARY CORTELYOU TO WITHDRAW PUBLIC FUNDS.

Approximately 25 Per Cent. From Banks Holding \$100,000 or More of Such Funds—Payments of 10 Per Cent. on March 9, the Remainder by March 23.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The money stringency which reached an acute stage in December has diminished to such an extent in nearly all the banking centres that the Government has decided to make a further withdrawal of public funds from the depository banks. Nearly all these banks holding \$100,000 or more of Federal deposits are affected by an announcement made by the Secretary of the Treasury late this afternoon. It is as follows:

"The Secretary of the Treasury to-day announced a call upon national banks for approximately 25 per cent. of the public funds now held in inactive depositories having on deposit such funds in the sum of \$100,000 or more and 15 per cent. of the public funds now held by active depositories where the deposit is \$100,000 of such funds, or in excess thereof, and where such withdrawal can be made without inconvenience to the Treasury Department in the transaction of public business.

Payments under this call will be made as follows: Ten per cent. of the amount called on or before March 9 and the remaining 15 per cent. on or before March 23.

The Secretary stated that advances from all portions of the country are to the effect that this proportion of the Government funds now on deposit with these national banks can be withdrawn without detriment to financial conditions in any section.

Under the call approximately \$35,000,000 will be returned to the Treasury.

At the close of business to-day the amount of the deposits of Government moneys in the depository banks was approximately \$250,000,000. The withdrawal called for to-day constitutes therefore about 15 per cent. of the whole.

The Secretary's action was not precipitated by any acute needs of the Government, although the working cash balance in the Treasury is only about \$24,000,000. The withdrawals mean that in the opinion of the Treasury Department the volume of money in the chief financial cities is now large enough to justify a moderate contraction. Business has suffered severely in some lines and there is a striking contrast between the conditions affecting the use of currency at this time and the conditions which existed a year ago. The panic has passed and in its place has appeared a feeling of disinclination in many quarters to launch new enterprises or extend old projects requiring a large volume of money in general circulation.

TREATH TO BLOW UP IONA ISLAND

Believed to Have Come From Italians and Sicilians Who Were Discharged.

NEW YORK, Feb. 21.—An evening newspaper here gives the reason to-night for the doubling of the guards around the powder magazines on Iona Island, below West Point, a week ago; which was said at first to be a precautionary measure against the Japanese. The latest version is that the guards are for Italians and Sicilians of the Black Hand type.

It is understood that Commandant William Brunnerneuter, in charge of the 800 tons of smokeless powder stored on Iona Island, received a letter a week ago which read as follows:

"If the married men discharged from Iona Island are not taken back at once all the magazines will be blown up. Black Hand Society."